



MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY

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MSU selected for prestigious Carnegie recognition for community engagement

Morehead State University has been selected to receive the Carnegie Foundation's 2015 Community Engagement Classification. MSU is one of 361 institutions in the country, and one of six Kentucky higher education institutions to earn the classification.

The classification includes institutions such as Michigan State, Ohio State, Penn State and Wisconsin, long recognized as the national leaders in outreach. MSU's classification is valid until 2025.

"We are honored to receive this national recognition for our faculty and student engagement," said Dr. Wayne D. Andrews, president of Morehead State University. "Outreach is a defining aspect of our mission, and this classification reflects MSU's significant commitment to serving the public in Eastern Kentucky and beyond."

Colleges and universities that focus on community engagement were invited to apply for the Community Engagement Classification and detail their initiatives. Institutions are assessed on their engagement in curriculum, faculty scholarship, community partnerships and student life. In order to be selected for the classification, institutions had to provide detailed descriptions of institutionalized practices supporting community engagement and demonstrating alignment among mission, culture, leadership, policies, administration and resources.

"Receiving the Carnegie Foundation's recertification as an engaged campus validates what we do. We are truly thankful and humbled by being included in the relatively small group of colleges and universities that have been recognized nationally for regional engagement. Much of our success can be attributed to the great external partners, and dedicated faculty and students we work with in our 22-county service region," said Dr. J. Marshall, executive director for regional engagement.



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MBA program named one of the best by Affordable Colleges Foundation

MSU's online Master of Business Administration program has been named one of the Best Online MBA Programs for 2014-15 by Affordable Colleges Foundation.

Programs were analyzed on student-faculty ratio, percentage of faculty with Ph.D. degree, and full tuition of the online MBA program.

"Flexibility and affordability in online MBA programs is important, but quality cannot be ignored," said Dan Schuessler, founder and CEO of Affordable Colleges Foundation. "The online MBA programs on our list offer students the same level of academic excellence and student support that is expected of campus-based programs."

Applied engineering and technology programs receive full accreditation

The Association of Technology, Management, and Applied Engineering (ATMAE) Board of Accreditation has voted to reaccredit MSU's Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology program with options in electronics and telecommunications and computer engineering technology, design and manufacturing engineering technology, and construction management and civil engineering technology for six more years.

The AET faculty also submitted the Master of Science in Engineering Technology and Management (MSETM) degree for an initial accreditation. The MSETM was successful, receiving full accreditation on the first attempt. The MSETM is one of the only programs of its kind accredited by ATMAE in Kentucky.

MSU and Highlands Museum and Discovery Center unveil new exhibit

Morehead State University and the Highlands Museum and Discovery Center unveiled their new astronomical exhibit, "Satellites, Aerospace and the Bluegrass State," with a reception and ribbon cutting ceremony in December 2014.

"The purpose of this exhibit is to entice middle school and high school students to come and see and to learn about space science and STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) disciplines," said Dr. Wayne D. Andrews, MSU president. "Our space science people and the museum people have worked very hard on this beautiful exhibit."

The exhibit will inform visitors about the role satellites play in the field of aerospace, feature 1:1 scale models of satellites built and flown by MSU, and highlight the University's role in preparing students to work in the challenging field of aerospace.

Osborne to receive Thurston Banks Award

Peggy Osborne, who has served as MSU's faculty athletics representative (FAR) since 2001, has been named one of two recipients of the 2015 Ohio Valley Conference Thurston Banks Award. The award is named after Dr. Thurston Banks, who served Tennessee Tech's athletic department for 31 of his 34 years on the faculty and served as FAR for 25 years before stepping down in 2006.

Osborne has been a faculty member at MSU since 1979, currently serving as an associate professor emeritus of marketing in the College of Business and Public Affairs. Her primary responsibilities as FAR include monitoring academic integrity and student-athlete well-being. Osborne reminds student-athletes they are students first and athletes second. She works on a weekly basis with MSU's athletic administrators, coaches, student-athletes and a variety of professors. Her position reports directly to the university president.